

In the Name of Allah, the Gracious, the Merciful
THE MEAT (INSPECTION) ACT, 1974
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THE MEAT (INSPECTION) ACT, 1974
(7/1/1974)

Title

This Act may be cited as the, " Meat (Inspection) Act, 1974" and this Act shall be repealed in the state concerned of the date of making the substitute Act state thereof.¹

Interpretation

In this Act unless the context otherwise requires:- 2

**"Partial
distruction",** means the removal of part of the flesh, or part of the organs of a food animal, or the destruction of that part and organ;

**Total
destruction",** means the full destruction of the carcass of the slaughtered animal and its organs;

"Food Animal", means any animal belonging to the following species:-
(i) livestock and includes cattle, sheep, goats and camels;
(ii) swine;
(iii) poultry;
(iv) fish;
(v) other animals the specification of which is issued by the Minister;

**"Diseased
animal",** means any animal affected by high degree of temperature, or affected by deterioration in its general condition or by pathological affection such as wounds and fractures or infected by any other disease, as may be specified by the regulations;

**"Governmental
stamp",** means the stamp used by the competent authority to stamp the inspected meat;

(1) Act No. 14, 1996, Act No. 40, 1974

(2) Act No. 40, 1974

“Emergency slaughter” , means the slaughter of the food animal affected in an accident and feared thereof to kill the same

“Competent authority”, means the Veterinary authorities as the Ministry of Animal and Fisheries Wealth, or whoever it may authorize to perform the business of the competent authority, set out in this Act;

“Veterinary inspection”, means the inspection and examination carried out by the competent authority on the food animals before and after slaughter;

“Meat”, means all parts of the carcass of a sound food animal slaughtered as to the prescribed systems;

“Minister”, means the Minister of Animal and fisheries wealth;

Places of slaughtering Food Animal

1. (1) No person shall slaughter any of the food animal prepared for sale in any place other than abattoirs unless that place is permitted by the competent authority.
2. (2) All food animal shall, before slaughter thereof, be prepared, hygienically inspected and stamped by the Government stamp inside the abattoir.

Transport and sale of meat before Veterinary Inspection

Prohibited

3. Transport and sale of meat of food animals, or offering the same for the purpose of sale before conducting veterinary inspection thereof inspection and stamping them by the Government stamp shall be prohibited. Where it transpires to the competent authority that the offered meat does not bear the Government stamp, or slaughtered outside the abattoir, the competent authority shall confiscate and destroy that meat in addition to any other measure to be taken thereby under the provisions of this Act.

Reporting detection disease to the competent authority

4. Where may disease is detected in the food animal, prepared for slaughter or there is reasonable suspicion thereof, the owner, or whoever may be in possession of such animal shall immediately notify the competent authority.

Conducting veterinary inspection

5. Whoever may be desirous of slaughtering any food animal for the purpose of sale shall follow all the Veterinary inspection procedure specified by competent authority from time to time or specified by the regulations made under the provisions of this Act.

Cars and Containers Satisfying the Conditions

6. All cars and otherwise of containers and means used in transportation or preservation of meat shall satisfy the condition provided therefor in the regulation made under the provisions of this Act.

Issue of health certificate

7. (1) Every whoever works at abattoir or butcheries for sale of meat, or its products shall hold a health certificate in evidence of his freedom of infectious diseases.
(2) the health certificate provided therefore in sub-section (1), shall be renewed every six months, and no person who is not in possession of valid health certificate shall be employed in abattoirs and the places shown in sub-section (1)

Duties of those working at slaughter-house and butcheries

8. No person working at abattoir and butcheries for sale of meat prepared for sale shall conceal any sign in proof of any disease in any organ or apart of the slaughtered food animal through washing, stripping, removing or by any other method, save upon order of the competent authority. He shall report immediately to the competent authority, of all food animals sent to abattoir for emergency slaughter to ascertain the validity of the health certificate accompanying the same.

Entrance of Butchers into Places

Inspection Prohibited

9. No butchers shall enter places of meat inspection, save upon permission of the competent authority.

Obstruction of officials and Workmen During the

Performance of their Business

10. There shall be prohibited for every person to obstruct, or cause obstruction of officials and workmen belonging to the competent authority, under the provisions of this Act, the regulations and order made thereunder.

Supervision of the competent authority

over meat destruction

12. The competent authority shall supervise meat destruction and disposal thereof through processing them into animal remains, or burying the same in deep pits, after concentrated disinfectant are added thereto.

Stamps and distinctive ink

13. The competent authority shall exclusively have competence to lay down the design of stamps and exercise their use throughout the Sudan. It shall also be competent to specify the type of destination ink used in the stamps and its chemical composition. No person shall possess any one of such stamps, save upon permission from the competent authority.

Penalties

- 14.(1) whoever contravenes the provisions of this Act, or the regulations and orders made thereunder, shall be punished with to
15. imprisonment for a term, to not exceeding one year or with fine specified by the Court, or with both.³
- 16.(2) where it is proved for the court that the person, who committed contravention of the provisions of this Act works as a butcher, it shall withdraw the license from them, or suspend the same for a period not exceeding one year.

Regulations and orders

17. The state laws shall organize such matters, as may be necessary for implementation of the provisions of this Act. These may in particular provide for the following:-⁴
- a. the meat inspection procedure;
 - b. disease cases;
 - c. emergency slaughter;
 - d. examination and preliminary tests which help in meat inspection;
 - e. records of slaughter figures, emergency slaughter destruction
 - f. cases of total and partial destruction.

(3) Act No. 10, 1993

(4) Act No. 26, 1983